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UNEP and BR&D Trust are pleased to announce the release of **CAMSAT** – the Carbon Management Self-Assessment Tool.

Climate Change is not only the greatest environmental threat of the 21<sup>st</sup> century; it is also one of the greatest challenges for business. Policies designed to limit greenhouse gas emissions and demands from investors and customers for tangible evidence of environmental responsibility require managed responses.

CAMSAT provides a simple means of assessing the quality of a company's internal systems for responding to climate change. The tool consists of a series of 23 multiple-choice questions, the result of which is one overall score and a synopsis of suggestions for ways in which carbon management can be improved in relation to the risks and opportunities identified.

CAMSAT is applicable to all companies with an interest in maintaining or strengthening their environmental reputations and/or those whose business may be affected by policies intended to reduce human induced climate change. The tool will be of direct relevance to companies within the following groups:

- UN Global Compact
- FTSE4Good
- Dow Jones Sustainability Index
- WBCSD Members
- Equator Group

The tool was developed by the Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Management (ECCM) in collaboration with a number of businesses and organisations working to promote the aims of the UN Conventions on climate change, biodiversity and desertification.

**CAMSAT is available free and can be obtained via the UNEP Climate change website:**  
[http://www.unep.org/themes/climatechange/Focus\\_Areas/index.asp](http://www.unep.org/themes/climatechange/Focus_Areas/index.asp)

**How does it work?** Simply download and open the MS-Excel file from the above link and follow the instructions. You will need Microsoft® Excel 2000 or above. Before starting, you should close all other Excel files and ensure that macros are enabled.



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**Disclaimer:** CAMSAT is *not* a guide for operating within the European Emissions Trading Scheme. Neither does it constitute legal or financial advice.

**Notes:**

**ECCM** (The Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Management) is a leading European centre of expertise on carbon management and is part of the ESD Group (Energy for Sustainable Development), which provides a range of services to public and private sector clients including renewable energy development, local energy planning, rural electrification, sustainable building design, energy policy and carbon management.

[www.eccm.uk.com](http://www.eccm.uk.com)

[www.esd.co.uk](http://www.esd.co.uk)

**UNEP** (the United Nations Environment Programme) is the designated authority of the United Nations system in environmental issues at the global and regional level. Its mandate is to coordinate the development of environmental policy consensus by keeping the global environment under review and bringing emerging issues to the attention of governments and the international community for action.

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**BR&D Trust** (Bio-climate Research & Development Trust) is a not-for-profit organisation based in Scotland that develops partnerships and tools to help reconcile human development with environmental change. BR&D hosts the 3 Conventions Partnership – a series of actions designed to provide practical benefits across the Rio Conventions on Climate Change, Desertification and Biodiversity.

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